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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), Petitioner, Venetec International Inc., a Delaware corporation, represents that it is the assignee and sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment. A copy of this assignment is recorded at Reel 014840/Frame 0994.

This application is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 10/270,883, filed 11 October 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,796,310, issued on 28 September 2004. Petitioner certifies that it is the assignee and sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent No. 6,796,310 by virtue of assignment from the inventor, Steven F. Bierman, M.D. This assignment document is recorded with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 013660/ Frame 0594.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(b), Petitioner hereby disclaims the terminal part of a patent granted on the above-captioned application that would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent No. 6,796,310 and hereby agrees that a patent so granted on the above-captioned application will be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to the

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patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent No. 6,796,310. This agreement extends to the patent granted on the above-captioned application and will be binding on Petitioner's successors and assigns.

Petitioner does not disclaim any terminal part of a patent granted on the above-captioned application before the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent No. 6,796,310 in the event that this patent later: expires for failure to pay maintenance fees; is held unenforceable; is found invalid; is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under C.F.R. § 1.321(a); has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate; is reissued; or is in any manner terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term.


The undersigned representative verifies that he is authorized to take this action on behalf of the Petitioner.

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Respectfully submitted,

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